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SUBJECT: TURKISH REACTION TO ARMS EMBARGO

REF: STATE 139991

1. I CONTACTED AKBEL, FOREIGN MINISTER'S DIRECTEUR DE CABINET, SHORTLY BEFORE 8:00A.M. ANKARA TIME THIS MORNING TO ADVISE HIM THAT I HAD AN URGENT MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL. WITHIN A FEW MINUTES AKBEL CALLED BACK TO SAY PRIME MINISTER HAD DESIGNATED FOREIGN MINISTER CAGLAYANGIL TO RECEIVE THE MESSAGE. CAGLAYANGIL RECEIVED ME AT HIS PRIVATE RESIDENCE AT 8:45 A.M. ACCOMPANIED ONLY BY AKBEL.

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2. I DELIVERED THE MESSAGE WHICH AKBEL TRANSLATED PHRASE BY

PHRASE INTO TURKISH.

3. CAGLAYANGIL THEREUPON DICTATED A REPLY IN TURKISH TO AKBEL WHO TRANSLATED IT FOR ME. BEGIN REPLY. I THANK THE SECRETARY VERY MUCH FOR HIS MESSAGE. I WILL TRANSMIT IT TO ITS HIGH DESTINATION BEFORE THE MEETING TODAY. HOWEVER, POLITICAL EVENTS DETERMINE THEIR OWN SPEED. WE HAVE ACTED WITH THE UTMOST CARE FOR PRESERVING TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS. WE HAVE NOT RESORTED TO ANY ACTION WHICH WAS FULLY REQUIRED. I MUST SAY I DO UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE THE BASIC THOUGHTS AND REASONING OF THE MESSAGE. HOWEVER, I DO NOT KNOW TO WHAT DEGREE WE WILL BE ABLE TO SLOW DOWN THE CHAIN OF EVENTS ALREADY IN PROGRESS, THE SPEED OF WHICH IS DETERMINED BY THEMSELVES. END REPLY.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER, WHO WAS PRESSED FOR TIME, THEN STARTED TO DEPART. I THANKED HIM FOR RECEIVING ME AND SAID I BELIEVED

THAT MEN SHOULD CONTROL EVENTS, NOT VICE VERSA. CAGLAYANGIL'S EYES TWINKLED AND HE SAID TO ME IN ENGLISH, "NOT EVERY TIME." "NOT EVERY TIME," HE REPEATED.

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